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"SX 4839 FROM KSCINCUSAREUR DTD 241424Z.

SENT KSCOB BERLIN RPTD INFO BONN USCINCEUR DEPT OF ARMY
WASHDC USMLM BERLIN.

REFERENCES:

- A. COB 76, 19 JUNE 58 (NOTAL).
- B. COB 80, 21 JUNE 58 (NOTAL).
- C. COB 81, 23 JUNE 58 (NOTAL).
- D. USBER 1314 TO BONN, 23 JUNE 58, (NOTAL).

1. FOR EA A D CINCEUR: REFERENCES STATE THAT ON 20 JUNE 58, US COMMANDDR BERLIN, INFORMED SOVIET COMMANDER BERLIN THAT ON 23 JUNE A US MILITARY CONVOY WOULD MOVE ON THE AUTOBAHN FROM BERLIN TO HELMSTEDT. CONVOY COMMANDER WOULD POSSESS DOCUMENTATION LISTING THE NUMBER AND TYPE OF VEHICLES, NUMBER OF OFFICERS AND ENLISTED MEN, AND A STATEMENT THAT VEHICLES WERE CARRYING MILITARY SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT. SOVIET REPLY TO USCOB ON 21 JUNE WAS THAT SOVIET "POLITICAL ADVISOR HAD NOT REACHED A FINAL AGREEMENT" ON PROCEDURES AND "INSTRUCTION NOW IN EFFECT" WOULD BE BASIS OF ACTION. CONVOY WAS DISPATCHED ON 23 JUNE 58. DOCUMENTATION CITED ABOVE, TOGETHER WITH RUSSIAN TRANSLATION, WAS OFFERED AT CHECKPOINT. SOVIET OFFICER REFUSED TO PASS CONVOY WITHOUT SEEING ROSTER OF PERSONNEL AND THEIR ID CARDS. CONVOY THEREUPON RETURNED TO POINT OF ORIGIN.

2. CHIEF, SOVIET MILITARY LIAISON MISSION, ON VISIT TO THIS HEADQUARTERS, 23 JUNE 58, WAS INFORMED OF ABOVE

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HE WAS REQUESTED TO CONVEY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO CINCNCSFG A FIRM. PROTEST BY CINCUSAREUR AGAINST THIS HARASSMENT OF MOVEMENT OF MILITARY CONVOY. ~~SUTLEFFOWVKEASED#~~ TO DELIVER THIS PROTEST AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. HE THEN VOLUNTEERED THE REMARK THAT SOVIET CHECKPOINT DEMAND FOR ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION WAS NOT IN ACCORD WITH HODES-ZAKHAROV CONVERSATION OF 22 MAY 58."

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